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tir Thomas had sent a fetter to the stub ering that he had challenged with a hea to frost obser under the New York facts cless rules herause he thought that ating fired the limitations of the copcos and because he favored a wholes-

He also salend that he he allowed to build on rachts and select the better of the es for the cup race. The challenge simply and that Shamrook IV, was the pacht, st the length given was so the en foot sting class under the rules

menting lest night was a larget stended one More than fifty yachts ware appearated and voted and many other sepera were present to listen to the procertiage. The racing yachtamen hoped hat the challenge would be accepted Many said that if it was it would be a good thing for the sport, as at least a dozen boats

Commodore Vandertalt presided and called the needing to order. Secretary Cormack then read the challenge, which is as

Bornt, from Vacue Ches RESORTOWN, COUNTY DUBLIN, INCLAND. garna k. Ess., Secretary, New York Valte Club, Noo Vork

Lipton, Bart., K. C. V. O., to forward you his challenge for the America's cup, subject to conditions to be mutually agreed upon, the to the cip. The first race to be sailed on Thursday, 20th August , 1908; the second race to be sailed on Saturday, 22d August, 1998; the third race to be sailed on Tuesday, 25th miled on each following Thursday, Saturday and Tuesday until finished.

I therefore, on behalf of the Royal Irish

Yacht Club and in the name of Sir Thomas J. dipton, a member of the club, challenge to eries of matches for the America's eup with the yacht Shamrock IV., to be built under Class J-68 foot rating-of the existing New York Yacht Club rules, which yach shall conform to the regulations as to length gift against any one yacht constructed under lass above mentioned in the United States of America. The said series of matches the following are the particulars of the

Ouper-Sir Thomas J. Lipton, Part , K. C. Name of vacht-Shanirock IV.

hating-To be not over as feet rating measurement by the existing New York Yacht Club rules.

as soon as the vessel is measured for regis-I shall esteem it a favor if you will kindly RICHARD C. McM. SMYTH.

The Custom House measurement will follow

lionorary Secretary, Poyal Irish Yacht Club P. S. - I cabled you to-day saying this letter was going to you per S. S. Umbria to-m

R. C. McM. S. He then read the letter of Sir Thomas Laptou to Mr. Cormack, which was as follows OSIDGE, Southgate, Middlesex.

September 13, 1907. DEAR MR. CORMACE: You will receive by the same mail a communication from the honorary secretary of the Royal Irish Yauhit Club conveying a challenge on my behalf for a series of races for the America's cup

In challenging with a yacht to be built under the existing rules of the New York Yacht Club I am animated solely by the desire to see the famous America's cup competed for more wholesome and seaworthy type of boathan that which has been adopted in recen contests, and in deciding upon Class J I be-lieve that I am selecting a class which while by the deed of gift will provide a more serv

The conditions governing the last contest seem to leave nothing to be desired, but it may be that the question of time limit will have to be considered in view of the altered type of vessel with which I am challenging lieving it to be the wish of your cl that I should bring to the line the best boat am able to produce, I am making bold to the same dimensions as set forth in the challeage, reserving to myself the decision as to which boat I shall elect to enter for the contest, and I trust the club may see its way

to grant me this concession.

May I venture, even at this early stage, to express the belief that the pleasant relations which have marked the contests in which I have been privileged to participate will be extended to my fourth endeavor to capture the famous cup. Yours faithfully, TEOMAS J. LIPTON.

C. A. Cormack, Esq., Secretary New York Tacht Club, New York, U. S. A.

The N. Y. Y. C. members had a moment to wait to see what would happen. Ex-Commodore Lewis Case Ledyard at once addressed the members. The ex-commodore is not a yacht owner and is known to be opposed to Sir Thomas Lipton. Everybody knew he would argue to decline the chal-

Commodore Ledyard contended tha the America's cup stood for speed on a given water line length, that it belietled the cup to accept a challenge with a small bost, and he also pointed out that the chalinge was informal because it did not give the water line length of the challenger, but

only its rating. He declared the club was willing to acce a challenge under the conditions under which the oup had been reced for any time if a 90 footer should be built, and he ended by submitting the following resolution:

Richard C. McMahon Smyth, Esq., Monorary Secretary, Royal Irich Tacht Club, Kinge-Joen, County Dublin, Ireland.
DEAR SIR: At a meeting of the New York
Yacht Club held this evening the challenge

of the Royal Irish Yacht Club- forwarded by you on behalf of Sir Themas Lipton, Bart., R. C. V. O., under date of September 13th, 1907, for a match for the America's oup, was ald before the club.

After a full discussion the following rese

lutions were offered by Commodore Ledyard, seconded by Commodore J. P. Morgan and

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Pirth The Yes York Yacht Club is pered to accept a challenge in accordance with the terms of the Deed of title, and to enter into mutual agreements with any challenger similar to those which have governed matches for this cup for many years past It is also prepared to meet any qualified challenger in a series of races for this cup, to be sailed host for bost, without time al-

Math The challenge of the Royal Irish Yacht Club fails to conform to the provisions of the deed of gift, under which alone this club can accept any chaffenge, in that is gives no dimension of the challenging vosse and in that it imposes new and special conditions upon the type, size and power of the defending years.

Moreover, it is of such a character that acceptance would, in the judgment of the club, involve a complete abandonment of the objects for which the trust in respect America's cup was constituted.

Seventh That a committee be therefore shall be one, with instructions to decline on behalf of the New York Yacht Chib the chal-

The undersigned were appointed by the Commedore as the committee mentioned in the resolutions, and in accordance with the great regret that we inform you that the New York Yacht Club declines your challenge.

result by cable in order that the action of the club may reach you officially in advance of any information through any other channel CORNELIUS VANDERBILL, Commedore,

LEWIS CASS LEDTARD, PIERPONT MORGAN

Committee.

F. Q. BOURNE, OLIVER ISELIN. EDWIN D. MORGAN. HENRY WALTERS,

Ex-Commodore J. Pierpont Morgan seconded the resolutions and they were submitted to the members. As Secretary Cormack called the roll several steam yacht owners voted at once in favor of them and those members who had gone to the meeting favoring the acceptance of the challenge saw at once that they were defeated, and rather than make it appear that there was dissersion in the club or that the club was not unanimous refrained from voting, or voted in favor of the resolutions.

Commodore Vanderbilt appointed himelf, ex-Commodore J. Pierpont Morgan, ex-Commodore Louis Cass Ledyard, ex-Commodore F. C. Bourne, ex-Commodore E. D. Morgan, J. Rogers Maxwell and C. Oliver Iselin as a committee to frame a reply to the Royal Irish Yacht Club. That committee took a long time in framing a cablegram, and it was evident that the kept the news in the club until the cable gram had gone, so that there should be no ther way of the news reaching the chal-

enging club. The declination of the challenge was a big disappointment to many as it was hoped that with a good class of 63 footers the racing would be of the best. The club s now on record, and some of Sir Thomas Lipton's friends said they would not be surprised to hear that he would race with a 90 footer, boat for boat, and then the defending club would have to do some guess ing as they would not know what kind of a boat he would bring.

SECY ROOT START FOR MEXICO Will Arrive at the City of Mexico on Sept. S

-Expects to Return About Oct. 20. WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Secretary Root ecompanied by his wife and daughter tarted on his trip to Mexico this afternoon at half past 3. Percival Cassett, who has been assigned to a Consulate in Mexico went with Mr. Root as secretary and interpreter. The party, which also inch a valet and maid, occupied the private oat Signet. Except for changing cars at St Louis the first stop will be at San Antonio, Tex., where he will be met by the Mexican

On September 29 the Secretary will reach Laredo, near the boundary line, and will there board President Diaz's special train, which will be in waiting for him One those who will welcome him to Mexico will be David E. Thompson, the American Ambassador, whose private car, the Thomp sonia, will be attached to the train.

No stope will be made between Lared and Mexico city, which Secretary Root wil reach on the evening of September On the return trip, however, it will be lifferent, the Secretary stopping at a muser of cities, where he will be the guest a onor at all sorts of celebrations.

WISS KLIPPENBURG TO GO BACK Order Received to Deport Her and She Ticket for Return To-day.

Orders were received from Washington storday that Miss Paula Klippenburg was be deported. She is the Vienness actres who came here to sue Horace E Miller She arrived on August 10. She was taken to Ellis Island and held under bond for two months while her case was considered by the Department of Commerce and Labor legram was received from the prefec of police of Vienna which satisfied the im migration officials that she should be sent

back.
Miss Klippenburg yesterday morning purchased a first class ticket for passage on the steamship Deutschland, which sails this afternoon. She said she would first go to Paris to join her fiance and then would go to Vienna to find out about the message from the prefect of police. She said she would fight the case to a finish.

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raptay at fatorty and West excess by nee Rube of Names on a charge marter by Frankerick Wine of J. Wine & Son. prestore of 600 front street, Covers. that he had secret two diamond ringo worth \$1,535 on September IT by making

When the priminer was taken to the Charely atreet station he designed to say enything about himself appape to give his name and age and to describe himself se a merchant. He protested when the police trief to search him, declaring that his dealings with the Newark jewsley house had been legitimate and that he intouried to pay for the rings he got

Langdon had fifty-one gold bonds of the New York and Pitteburg Air Line Railroad, a road projected in central Penneylvania of which twenty miles have been built. A man of the same name was the original promoter of the road. He had sees in money and bills from jewelry firms in Philadelphia and Baltimore showing that he had obtained goods from them by depositing bonds of the raticoad company

The story told by Jaweller Wiss at Police Headquarters was that Langdon went to the store early in the morning on Septemher 17 and picked out two rings worth \$1.225, saying that he wanted to take them home and select one of them. He said he lived in Elizabeth. He produced two bonds of the New York and Pittsburg Air Line which he declared were worth \$2,000 and offered to leave them on deposit until the next day, when he said he would return the ring he didn't want and pay for the one

The jewelry firm heard nothing more until yesterday afternoon, when Langdon telephoned over that he wanted to get some more jewelry, but had a sore foot and couldn't leave New York. He wanted a solitaire diamond ring, a ruby and dianond ring and a gold watch. He said that if one of the clerks would bring the jewelry to New York and meet him at West and Liberty streets be would pay for the rings he had and for what he ordered yesterday. Mr Wiss said the firm had inquired about the value of the bonds Langdon had left with them, and as they couldn't find the

they were quoted called in Detective Kuhn. After a dummy package had been prepared Mr. Wiss, a clerk and Kuhn came to New York to meet Langdon. They had been told that he would be wearing a white tie and would have a handkerchief in the upper pocket of his coat.

They found Langdon and the clerk went to meet him. The clerk said that the firm wouldn't send any more jewelry and wanted pay for what he had got. Langdon said e would get the money next day. Then the detective and Mr. Wiss ran up and Langdon was arrested.

ters, where he was searched again. Besides the fifty-one bonds, which were identical with those left with the jewelry house, there was one with the name "John Langdon" signed to it from which several coupons had been cut. This was a 5 per cent. thirty-year gold bond, which was one of a series of \$600,000.

Mr. Langdon also had a number of railroad passes and a wallet full of papers. in which were a number of pawn tickets One of these was from B. Johnson & Sous of Philadelphia and was for \$300 loaned diamond ring. Another pawn ticket for \$600 was for two rings which Mr. Wiss said answered the description of those be got in Newark. This memorandum was found: J. S. McDonald & Co., 214 North Charles

treet. Baltimore, a three stone diamond, \$385 ft as collateral one New York and Pittsburg Banks & Biddle, Philadelphia, \$500 ring: \$1,000 bond deposited, to be re-

There was also a bill from the Wiss firm made out in the same way. Langdon was anxious about this bill because, he said, it would show that he had done nothing

According to Moody's Manual the New York and Pittsburg Air Line was incoryork and Pittaburg Air Line was incor-porated last year and was projected from West Philipsburg to Johnstown. Twenty miles has been completed. The road has \$600,000 capital stock, and the bonded debt includes \$25,000 gold 5s. The road had net earnings of \$25,200 on its twenty niles of track last year. The list of officers

neluded John Langdon of Huntington, Pa., ice-president and treasurer. John Langdon said over the telepho at his home in Huntington last night that Samuel P. Langdon is his brother, but that he has no interest in what happens to Samuel. He said he wasn't an officer of the road and didn't know how his brother got the bonds unless he had a right to them The Samuel P. Langdon who pron the railroad is the son of Richard Langdon who in his lifetime was the wealthiest coal operator in central Pennsylvania. He inherited large coal interests and much money when his father died, and built the one and Phillipsburg connecting road This road was a great drain on his resources and left him almost bankrupt. The road was reorganized last year under the name of the New York and Pittsburg Air Line. Langdon had an office here at one time when he was head of the Langdon-Wigton

Coal Mining Company. Ten years ago, when Langdon was president of the United Collieries Company, with offices in the Drexel Building, Philadelphia. a young woman who had been living with him was found dead on the floor of bedroom. Langdon was arrested, but the District Attorney ordered his discharge because he could get no evidence against The case made a stir at the time

Beavers Is Free Again.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 .- George W. Beav ers of Brooklyn, who was released from Moundsville penitentiary yesterday after serving a two year sentence for com in the postal scandals, arrived in Washington to-day. He is staying with a friend and will remain in this city for several days ad will reme before going to his home in Brooklyn.

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W. L. Martin representing American ship enera to-day fled with the Departmen statement tending to show that the proposed award to foreign ships rought to a fagrant group to American shipsware and to American labor. He declares tha although the tide by foreign shipseners are ower then those of American vegets the difference is due simply to chesper wages tentes that the high rate asked by American owned ships is the to say combination of shipowners or to any desire on their to take advantage of the necessities of the Government. The statement con

American shipping interests maintain that the use of foreign ships by the Navy Department to convey coal from our Atantie to our Pacific portain a violation of the law of the United States as indefensible and manifest as any violation of law by the Standard Oil Company. American ship ping interests believe, moreover, that the use of foreign ships for this national assuice because of the cheaper wage rate at which they were built and maintained is a complete betrayal of the protective policy by a national Administration pledged to main-

PLACE YOUNGER MEN IN CHARGE. Officers to Be Detached From War-

ships tioing to the Parific. Washington, Sept. 25.—Orders were seued to-day by the Navy Department detaching Capt. Theodoric Porter from command of the armored cruiser Washington and assigning him to the Naval Home at Philadelphia. This action is said to be the first taken in line with the policy of detaching the older commanders from ships going to the Pacific and placing such vessels in charge of younger men.

The Washington and the Tennessee are nder orders to be ready to sail from the New York and Boston yards, respectively. next Saturday for San Francisco to join the California and South Dakota in formanother armored cruiser squadron service in the Pacific. Capt. Porter will be 59 years old next December and will have less than two years to serve after he reaches the grade of Rear Admiral. Admiral Sebree is to have charge of special service squadron composithe Washington and the Tennessee.

TWO BIDS FOR THE SARATOGA

Famous Vessel of the Old Navy Didn't Get a Bid Anywhere Near the Appraised Value. WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 .- Only two bids were opened to-day at the Navy Department for the old sloop of war Saratoga, which is now at Philadelphia and which was stricken from the list of naval vessels last month and ordered sold. The bidders were John H. Gregory of Perch Amboy, . J., who offered \$2,000 for the famou old vessel, and Daniel C. O'Conner of Boston, who bid \$1,250.61. As each of these bids was less than the appraised value of the ship, which is \$4,900, they will probably be rejected and new proposals invited The Saratoga is one of the famous vessels of the old navy. She was built at Kittery. Me., in 1842, was ship rigged and carried twenty guns. She was named after the sloop of war Saratoga which served in the Revolutionary War and foundered off Delaware Bay in 1780. Shortly after her launching the Saratoga was sent to the west African coast, where she was engaged in the suppresson of the slave trade. In the Mexican War she was on blockade duty off the eastern coast of Mexico. She was one of the vessels commanded by Commodore Perry on his famous expedition to Japan in 1853, when a treaty of the United States was negotiated. During the civil war the Saratoga was cruising off the African coast. In recent years she has been out of commission at Philadelphia and has been used as a nautical

SHOT UP MARYLAND TOWN.

Federal Soldiers Engaged in Pro

school ship.

Firing on Entering Frederick. WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 .- Acting Secretary of War Oliver to-day ordered an investigation made of the affair in which certain soldiers on their way to Gettysburg are alleged to have participated yesterday at Frederick, Md. It has been unofficially reported to the War Department that the tachment, which consisted of Battery E. Third Field Artillery, and the Second Squadon of the Thirteenth Cavalry, under mand of Major Bickman, engaged in promiscuous firing when they entered the town early yesterday morning. No one was injured, but so far as the Department knows the shooting was unwarranted, and cordingly an investigation has

DIVORCED COUPLE REMARRY. Mr. and Mrs. J. Elligh Adams Become M and Wife Agam.

ASBURT PARK, N. J., Sept. 25.—Mrs. Elizabeth Sanford has been remarried to J. Elligh Adams of Elizabeth, from whom she secured a decree of divorce less than a year ago. The couple were reunited in the parsonage of the First Presbyterian Church Last December Mrs. Adams returned

to her mother, Mrs. Tyles Sanford, in this city. Her husband had deserted her, she said, and she did not know where he was. She lived with her mother and soon secured a divorce. Last May Adams returned. He said he had been out West. He went to his mother's home in Elizabeth and she told him of the divorce. He hurried to Asbury Park. He has been here ever since wooing his former wife At first she treated him diedainfully, but finally he won her over and the marriage this week followed.

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Tatione Spain, Sape 15 - Great des on was done here restorded morning by Structure hoofing have have frequet. and it is fearest that many more remain to to forest The floods were caused by receptual rains

eticls made the Ciradalliness River, which from into the sea about six onless to the muthwest, overdier, devastating Malaga end neighboring towns deveral churche and bridges and many houses collapsed.

Many families are homeless and a familie fraged. The sufficients are organizing distribution of provisions

Reports received this evening from sev ral towns in the district show that the fond was very serious. A closelleures oncurred at midnight and the river rose so rapidly that it was impossible to give a

The few police on the streets of Malaga did their utmost to rouse the inhabitants. They rang an alarm on the church belle and first their revolvers.

They also roused boatmen, who tried to row through the flooded streets and rescue people from the windows of their houses was made difficult and sometimes impossible by the water raging and swirlthrough the narrow thoroughfares.

The doors of the churches of St. Pau and St. Dominic were burst open by the food and the torrent poured through them. washing the chairs, alters and confessionals into the streets.

The doors and windows of many houses ollapsed from the pressure of the water, which in some places was ten feet deep. Furniture was washed out and floated off. The bodies of drowned people and animals were sometimes seen floating among the debris.

These scenes were followed by the collapse of several houses. Day revealed that railway bridges had been swept away. factories gutted, the streets inextricably tangled with every imaginable domestic sion, the gas and electric works stopped, the telegraphs destroyed and the aqueduct wrecked, cutting off the supply of drinking water.

Similar accounts were received from Velez Malaga, Benamargosa, Campanillas and elsewhere. Thousands of persons are homeless. The damage is placed at several million pesetas. The latest estimates place the number of deaths at 150. Senor Bea Minister of Commerce and Public Works. has gone to direct the relief operations. King Alfonso will also go to the scene.

Malaga is a city of 131,063 inhabitants and is the capital of the province of the same name in Andalusia 65 miles northeast Gibraltar. The city is built in the shape of an ambuitheatre and is inclosed by moun

It has a cathedral with a spire 280 feet can be entered in any wind. Malaga is believed to have been founded by Phoenicians. It is noted for its trade

CAUGHT AFTER YEAR'S SEARCH. Two Get Rich Quick Men Who Swindled

Northwest Farmers Out of \$1,500,000. Frank Halliday, alias Halfraak, and John Lane, alias Laurence, who have been dodging Post Office Inspector Boyle and Lieut. McConville for a year or more, were arrested here yesterday.

They are wanted in Minneapolis for being associated with a get rick quick concern called the Edward A. Vaughn Company, which swindled the farmers in the Northwest out of \$1,500,000 before it was put out of business by the Post Office authorities

In the firm were Vaughn, Frank Hogan Peanuts Robinson, at one time a New York sneak thief; Halliday and Lane. The firm advertised that it had inside information on the wheat market and the money poured When the Federal authorities stopped the business all were arrested except Lan and Halliday.

A year ago the Minneapolis authorities learned that they were here and Inspector Boyle and Lieut. McConville started a search for them. Halliday was caught at Iwenty-fifth street and Fifth avenue and Lane at Fourteenth street and Broadway, where he was living. Both have been

selling mining stock here. Peanuts Robinson, who was arrested but umped his bail, also has been found here. He has assured the authorities that he will go to Minneapolis for trial when the case against Lane and Halliday comes up

UNION PICKET GETS TWO YEARS and a 6400 Fine for intimidating

Working in Strikers' Places. NEW HAVEN, Sept. 26 .- In police court this afternoon Judge Richard H. Tyner fined Frank J. McGee of Worcester, Mass. \$400 and sentenced him to two years in the county jail on the charge of intimidating strike breakers at the McLagon & Co. foundry, this city, of which ex-Mayor Frederick B. Farnsworth is president. McGee is the business agent for New England of the Iron Moulders Union of

North America. John & Dunn of this city, secretary of the local branch of the

city, secretary of the local branch of the Iron Moulders Union, who was also charged with intimidation of workmen, had his case continued by Judge Tyner until November 23 on Dunn's promise to keep away from the McLagon foundry.

McGee came to New Haven about a month ago to try to settle the strike which had been in progress for two months. Detectives employed by the foundry company began a watch of McGee and according to the testimony McGee has several times threatened to make trouble for some threatened to make trouble for

Piece of a Stump Men Were Blasting Kills a Fine Buck.

UTICA, Sept. 26 .- Near the upper en the fourth lake in the Adirondacks F. E. Tiffany yesterday had a number of men using dynamite for blasting out stumps to enlarge a clearing. Soon after an extra large charge had been exploded it was found that a fine buck had been killed by a stick of hemicok piercing its side.

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the add that the company would glad! do it, but mich speed in a merchant vector cannot be attained. The North (horman Linyd has enough fast ships for the immedigte frence. It does not intend to build

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Special Cable Despetch to Tax Street LONDON, Sopt. 25. Foreign Minister Edward Grey, writing to Sir Arthur Nicoleon, British Ambassador at St. Petersburg in reference to the new Anglo-Russia treaty, emphasizes the circumstance that Great Britain's declared interests in the Persian Gulf are not affected by it and that they will be maintained.

During the negotiations Russia explicitly declared that she did not deny Great Britain's special interests in the gulf. Grea Britain will continue to make every effort to maintain the status quo there and the maintenance of British trade. She does not desire, however, to exclude the legitimate trade of any other Power

CAN'T AGREE ON CONTRABAND. Peace Conference Falls, So England Tries a Deal of Her Own.

cial Cable Despatch to THE SUN. THE HAGUE, Sept. 25 .- The examining committee of the fourth commission of the peace conference has decided that !it is impossible to arrive at a settlement of the questions of absolute and conditional conraband. Great Britain is accordingly initiating a convention by which the countries supporting her proposal for the total abolition of contraband will agree when they are warring among themselves to bandon the principle of contraband and to only exercise the right of search to estab ish the neutral character of vessels.

Delegates from these States this afternoon held an informal meeting, to which Gen. Porter of the American delegation was nvited. The convention was discussed several favored the principle, but doubted ts desirability, thinking such a convention would impair the dignity of the conference. Others wholly favored it. No decision was

LILLIAN RUSSELL'S AUCTION. She Has a Three Year Contract, She Says,

and Can't Keep Up Her House. Lillian Russell announce. last night hat she was going to have an auction sale of the contents of her home at 161 West Fifty-seventh street.

T've signed a contract for three years with Joseph Brooks," said Miss Russell last night, "and by the terms of this contrac will be kept on the road much of the time. It is lots of fun to have an auction, and then it would be quite expensive to keep the house up for three years."

Miss Russell says she has a lot of fine paintings and some First Empirefurniture. The sale will begin on October 2.

WAR ON INDECENT POSTERS.

Catholic Church Society of Jersey City Pastes Protests on Bill Boards. Members of the Holy Name Society St. Bridget's Catholic Church of Jersey City complained to the local police that indecent theatrical lithographs were posted on the billboards of the town. Billposters ontinued to decorate fences and billboards with offensive posters and the officers of the society caused the following announcement, printed on strips of paper, to

"We have protested against the exhibiion of such vile pictures until our patience has almost been exhausted.

be pasted over many of the objectionable

"HOLY NAME SOCIETY. "ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH. The police saw the announcement and Chief Monahan got busy. He notified the theatrical billposter that henceforth he will be obliged to submit all lithographs to him for his censorship before the bills

can be posted in public places. "My men will promptly suppress all indecent exhibitions and posters," said the

Mayor Fagan is a member of St. Bridget's Church. AMERICANS KILL BRIGAND. liners in Durange, Attacked by Reyes and

from Durango says that a party of American mining men were attacked by Julian Reyes. the notorious bandit leader, and his men in the mountains of that State The Americans resisted the attack with

His Band, Give Battle.

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 25 .- A despatch

rifles and pistols and fatally wounded Reyes.
None of the Americans was wounded.

Northwest Has a Killing Frost SIOUX FALLS, Sept. 25 .- The first killing Sioux Falls, Sept. 25.—The first killing frost of the season was experienced throughout this region last night. The warm weather of the last two weeks had put corn out of danger and the only damage done by the frost was to late vegetables.

Lacrossz, Wis., Sept 25.—The first killing frost of the season formed over western Wisconsin and southern Minnesota to-day, doing great damage to unharvested crops.

oing great damage to unharvested crops. sevelt Buys a Horse to Match His Team EAST WILLISTON, L. I., Sept. 25 .- Presieast will. Iston, i. I., sept. 25.—President Robsevelt has ordered from the stables of William Post & Son the half brother to the pair of bays which were shipped to him from the Long Island deflers a few weeks ago, and with the new addition he will have three horses perfectly matched. They are about 16 hands high, have long manes and tails and are thoroughbreds.

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election to the Democratic State committee

tion by 141 votes. He said he les ned at the Board of Elections yesterday that while two districts were in dispute the vote he claimed WAS COFFEED.

Boyhan said he was told at the City Clerk's office that the returns were all in and that he was elected by 34.

if Larney has carried the Fourteenth seembly district the McClellanites will be in control of the Senate district. Charles F. Murphy lives in the Twelfth Assembly district, and his brother, Jack Murphy, is the leader of the district, but the Sixicenth is controlled by Fire Commissioner Frank Lantry, who is with the Mayor. So if Larner has won and the advantage can be maintained the McClellanites would be in a position to refuse a renomination to Tom Grady and perhaps to turn Murphy out of the State committee, inasmuch as the State convention in forming the State committee commonly follows the rule of electing the candidate preferred by the delegates from the Senate district. It is generally believed that the Court of Appeals will decide that the new apportionment bill does not necessitate the election of a new Senate this year. and a new State committee will not be named until the State convention of next

Nevertheless Mr. Murphy is disturbed because to lose control of the district which he represents in the State committee would, as he himself frankly admits, be a matter of deep humiliation to him. It was to accomplish this very thing that the McClellan workers concentrated a great deal of their effort on the Fourteenth Assembly district They knew that they had Lantry's district cinched, and as Boyhan has never particularly strong in the Fourteenth they made an especially vigorous campaign against him. There was trouble yesterday about getting the complete returns and Senator Cohalan of the Tammany law committee was afraid that Larney might

possibly be declared elected. The returns from seventeen election districts in the Fourteenth have been filed with the Board of Elections according to information Cohalan got last night from President Dooling. When Cohalan sought yesterday afternoon to know why the figures from the six districts had not been filed he was informe that the inspectors who had charge of the missing districts were themselves missing and that the board had been unable to fin

As he could get no more satisfaction than this at the office of the board Senator Cohalan and about half a dozen other members of the Tammany law committee went to District Attorney Jerome and made complaint that a scheme was being engineered in the Board of Elections to steal the election in the Fourteenth. Mr. Jerome got into communication with Mr. Dooling and was informed by him that the board had been unable to get the returns from the six missing districts because the figures from those districts had not been sent in by the election officers and that as the polling places had been abandoned the board was helpless until the inspectors

Thereupon, according to Senator Cohalan Mr. Jerome sent word to Mr. Dooling that unless the complete returns for the district were filed with the Board of Elections at the opening of office hours this morning he would order the arrest of the inspectors assigned to the missing districts and would also lay the case before the Grand Jury. Mr. Jerome at the same time directed Assistant District Attorney Murphy to take

charge of the matter. Last night a policeman of the West Fortyseventh street station and a county detective were sent out with subposens for the chairmen of the six election boards. The subponas demand the appearance of the men before the Grand Jury at 10 o'clock this morning. Each of the men, according to the District Attorney's office, is liable to indictment on a charge of violating the

election law. The law says that the election inspectors must file their reports with the Board of Elections and a copy with the City Clerk "immediately" after the canvass. The Board of Elections in this city has instituted a rule of its own, unwarranted by the statute, according to the District Attorney. by which the inspectors must make their report between the hours of 9 and 4 on the day following election.

Mr. Murphy and Commissioner Dooling waited until half past eight last night and nothing came in, and then the subpomes were sent out. There were seven subcenasin Mr. Murphy'shands. He wasasked the seventh was for Commissioner Dooling, or if the Commissioner would be subpænaed before the Grand Jury. Mr. Murphy's answer was, "Not to-night

Commissioner Dooling said that the delay in filing returns was nothing unusual. The ordinary method, he said, was to wait until he second morning after the election or primary, then if any returns were not in by o'clock that morning to send a messenger to the recreant chairman, "in a courteous manner," the Commissioner added. It was said last night that nineteen election dissaid last night that nineteen election dis-tricts in the Fourteenth had cent returns in to the City Clerk-two more than have